

In the Specification:

At page 8, replace the paragraph at lines 18-20 with the following replacement paragraph that has been marked to show the changes made:

The relative molecular mass ( $M_r$ ) range of PEO or other poly(alkylene oxide) utilized as the A block polymer in the copolymers of the present invention is suitably 500 to ~~2,000~~20,000, and preferably is ~~20,000~~2,000 to 10,000.

At page 9, replace the paragraph at lines 3-6 with the following replacement paragraph that has been marked to show the changes made:

The relative molecular mass ( $M_r$ ) range of PHB or other poly(hydroxyalkanoate) utilized as the B block polymer in the copolymers of the present invention is suitably 500 to ~~2,000~~20,000, preferably is ~~20,000~~2,000 to 10,000, more preferably 2,500 to 7,500 and most preferably is 3,000 to 5,000.

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